

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph no. [0018] with the following amended paragraph:

[0018] In addition, the rubber composition for the tire tread according to the first aspect of the invention is required to be compounded with a carbon black having a dibutyl phthalate absorption (DBP) of 40-250 ml/100 g and a compressed DBP absorption (24M4DBP) of 35-220 ml/100 g. When DBP is less than 40 ml/100 g or 24M4DBP is less than 35 ml/100 g, the tensile stress required as the rubber composition for the tire tread at minimum can not be developed, while when DBP is more than 250 ml/100g or 24M4DBP is more than 220 ml/100 g, the elongation required at minimum can not be ensured.

Please replace the paragraph no. [0019] with the following amended paragraph:

[0019] Also, it is preferable to be compounded with a carbon black having a dibutyl phthalate absorption (DBP) of 95-220 ml/100 g and a compressed DBP absorption (24M4DBP) of 90-200 ml/100 g.

Please replace the paragraph no. [0041] with the following amended paragraph:

[0041] In the carbon black according to the embodiment of the invention, the dibutyl phthalate absorption (DBP) is 40-250 ml/100 g and the compressed DBP absorption (24M4DBP) is 35-220 ml/100 g. More particularly, the dibutyl phthalate absorption (DBP) is 95-220 ml/100 g and the compressed DBP absorption (24M4DBP) is 90-200 ml/100 g.